

REMARKS

In response to the above Office Action, a new title has been provided as requested.

In addition, claims 2 and 4 have been rewritten in independent form, claim 5 has been amended to depend only from claim 4 and claims 6-10 have been amended to depend from claim 2 or 4. It is realized claims 6, 8, and 9 were withdrawn, but now that they have been amended to depend only from examined claims 2 and 4, it is believed they should be rejoined with the examined claims. The amendments of claims 5, 7, and 10 also avoid the noted objection to these claims. Finally, non-elected claim 3 has been cancelled to advance the prosecution of this application.

Since the Examiner indicated claims 2 and 4 were allowable if rewritten in independent form and claims 5-10 depend from one or both of these claims, it is believed claims 2 and 4-10 are now in condition for allowance.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and reexamination of this application and the timely allowance of the pending claims.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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